

THE PEOPLE'S POWER LEAGUE

Founded in Montana on June 11, 1911

Miles Romney, President

EXHIBIT

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Max McCusker, Secretary/Treasurer

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Western News

Robert N. Sutherlin

Great Falls
Rocky Mountain Husbandman

William K. Harber

Ft. Benton
River Press

Robert Lee McCulloch

Hamilton
Judge

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Red Lodge
Judge

Edwin K. Cheadle

Lewistown
Judge

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Kalispell
Lawyer

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Big Timber
Lawyer

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Butte
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Jefferson Island
Stockman

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Stockman

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Schoolmaster

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People's Power League

February 10, 2011

HJR 10 – proponent

In November 1912, Miles Romney of the the People's Power League announced the successful initiative campaign to pass the Corrupt Practices Act and prohibit corporations from expending money on the election of candidates from town clerk to the Governor of Montana.

The law served Montana well for nearly 100 years. Now Judge Jeffrey Sherlock has ruled that Montana must get into lock step with the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on Citizens United. He ruled that independent expenditures by corporations are legal contrary to the Corrupt Practices Act.

When Montana became a state in 1889, mining was an economic enterprise no more important than agriculture or logging. In 1901, perceptive Montanans worried about losing control of their government. Then in only ten short years, the Amalgamated ruled from Butte.



<http://www.peoplespowerleague.info>

Progressive Republicans gave Montana the tools to fight back: first the initiative process, then a package of ballot issues to level the playing field with the corporate owners back in New York.

HJR 10 may insure that in ten years we aren't fighting to regain control of our state.

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Mill & Smeltermen's Union

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Billings

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Trades & Labor Council

Phil Christian

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MT Federation of Labor

Henry Drennin

United Mine Workers

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Carol Mackin

- Advocate of Initiative Process for 35 years.
- In 2001, I reported the name People Power League with the Secretary of State's Office to promote the stated goals of the original organization and provide the public with a website listing their writings, their concerns, schemes, and issues with the Corporations that made Montana subservient to economic decisions.